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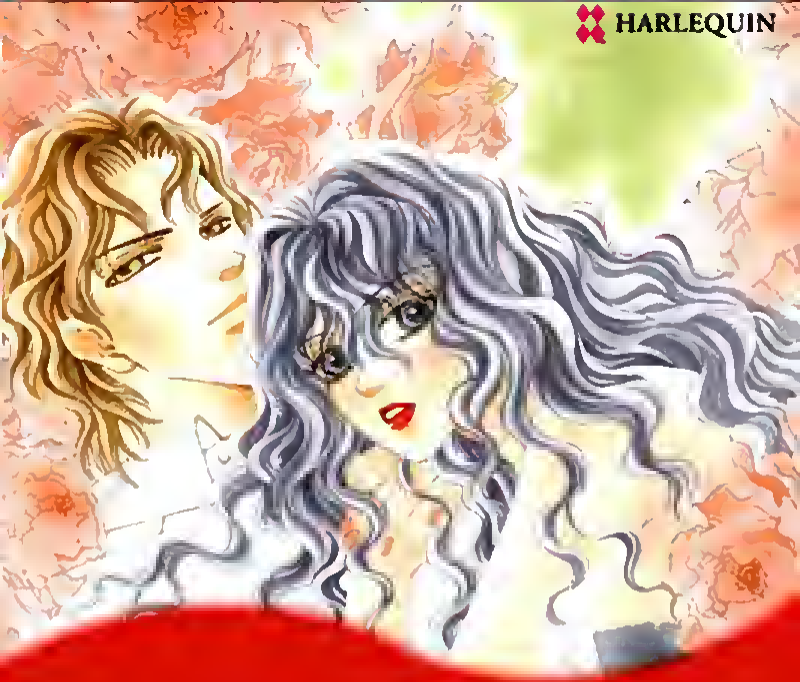

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Her black eyes and raven hair
Her bright red lips
Her name was Madeline Powers
The girl
wore a black dress over her sexy curves.
She was the life of the party

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Is that also why you ended your engagement to Annabelle?
No. Max can run the company just fine.
I just wanted a little more freedom.
She knows I'm not interesated anymore.
She called the other day.
I think she's going to wait for you to come back from Australia.
If we'd gotten married, neither of us would have been happy.
I don't believe we were ever in love.

I see...
So you're turning down the vice president position to manage the Australian branch.
So...
Does this have anything to do with your late father leaving the company to Max?
I'm sorry to have worried you, Mother.

I suppose the British air must be too damp for you.
Don't worry. I'll be back in 6 months.
It's our nature to be picky
...We McMillans are aristocracy, after all.
Your grandmother felt sorry for you.
That's because your father only had eyes for Max.
Still, I'm grateful to you and Grandmother.
Thanks to her leaving me everything, I have my freedom.

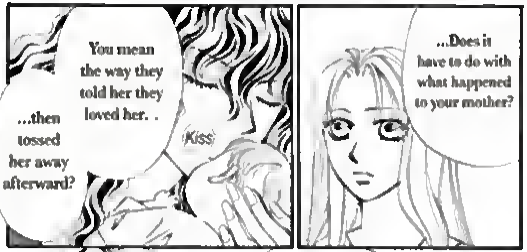
Why Australia, Miles?
.....
She's just missing the status of dating the great Miles McMillan.
I know you could tell, too, Mother.
Maybe I just got a taste for how casual things are there from my business trip last year.
No particular reason.
.....

Maddie
That's what they all called her.
Are you British?
Yes.
I knew it.
I could tell immediately.
Hey...
Maybe...
...we can have a drink later, at my place?
Click
I'll head home. You must be busy packing.
Don't forget to call.
Of course.
The blue sky
The blue ocean
The dry air
And of course.
Why Australia...?
...
Indeed.

Madeline Powers. Interior designer
Business partner and college friend of architect Vaughn Slater
She's just broken up with her boyfriend
Background Report
Meaning it's tha best timing to appear in her life again
Now that I've ended my engagement to Annabelle there's nothing stopping me.
I haven't been able to stop thinking about her since that party
Sorry.
I have to get going
Good night.

She's so cute!
Hospital
You have the cutest baby ever!
Don't you think, Caroline?
Australia
Maddie ...
...I can't wait to see you.
After that I'll return to England in 6 months' time
That's why I'm going to Australia
To make her mine !

I don't know.
Why?
Even when someone like that gets serious about you, you dump them.


...then tossed her away afterward?
You mean the way they told her they loved her. .
Kiss
...Does it have to do with what happened to your mother?

It's an interesting thought. Maybe I'm just taking revenge.
Maybe.
No, I just don't like being around the same man all the time.

I'll have to choose the best man of them all to have a baby like her.
Right, but it would be his child, too.

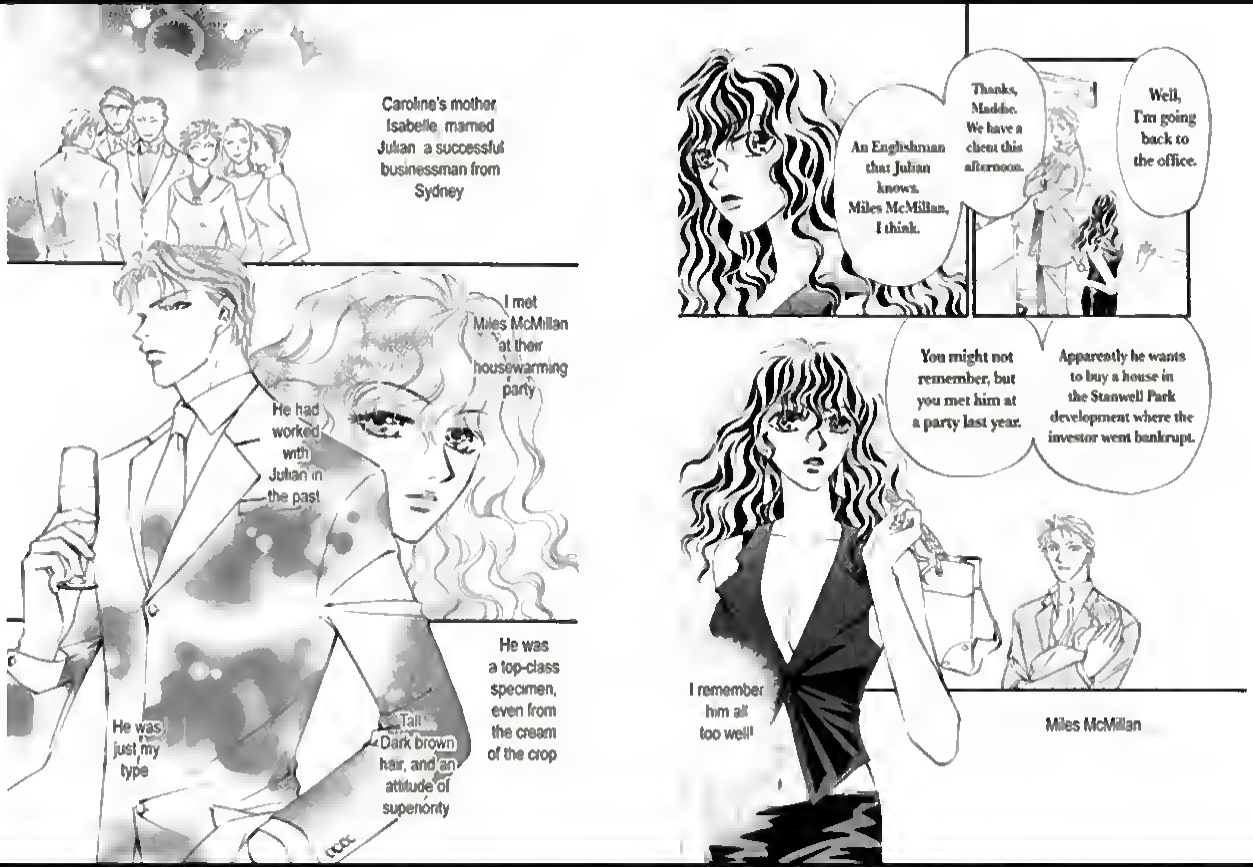
You'd have to find a man, first.

Maybe I'll have a baby, too.
I'd do anything for someone to look at me with eyes this innocent.

That's your type?
...
Yup!
I wish there was a rich, confident and proud man who wouldn't want to be seen with me around.

I can only live the best I can.
Sometimes, I get jealous of Caroline and Vaughn
That's why...
But I'm my own person
I should have a baby!
While there's still time
I'll raise this baby with all of my love
I don't need its father around
Grow up

Vaughn!
Hi! How are you feeling?
.....
Go to Daddy, honey.
Your little lady is quite well-behaved.
Don't be silly. She won't grow up quite that fast.
She's grown already?
Hey, she's heavier than this morning.


Caroline's mother Isabelle married Julian a successful businessman from Sydney
I met Miles McMillan at their housewarming party
He had worked with Julian in the past
He was a top-class specimen, even from the cream of the crop
He was just my type
Tall
Dark brown hair, and an attitude of superiority
An Englishman that Julian knows. Miles McMillan, I think.
Thanks, Maddie. We have a client this afternoon.
Well, I'm going back to the office.
You might not remember, but you met him at a party last year.
Apparently he wants to buy a house in the Stanwell Park development where the investor went bankrupt.
I remember him all too well!
Miles McMillan

Click
Maddie?
Mr. McMillan is here.
...my partner will furnish the interior.
If you purchase one of my buildings..
That sounds fine.

No man has ever shot me down like that.
And now he's back in Australia

But when I made a move on him
he left the party

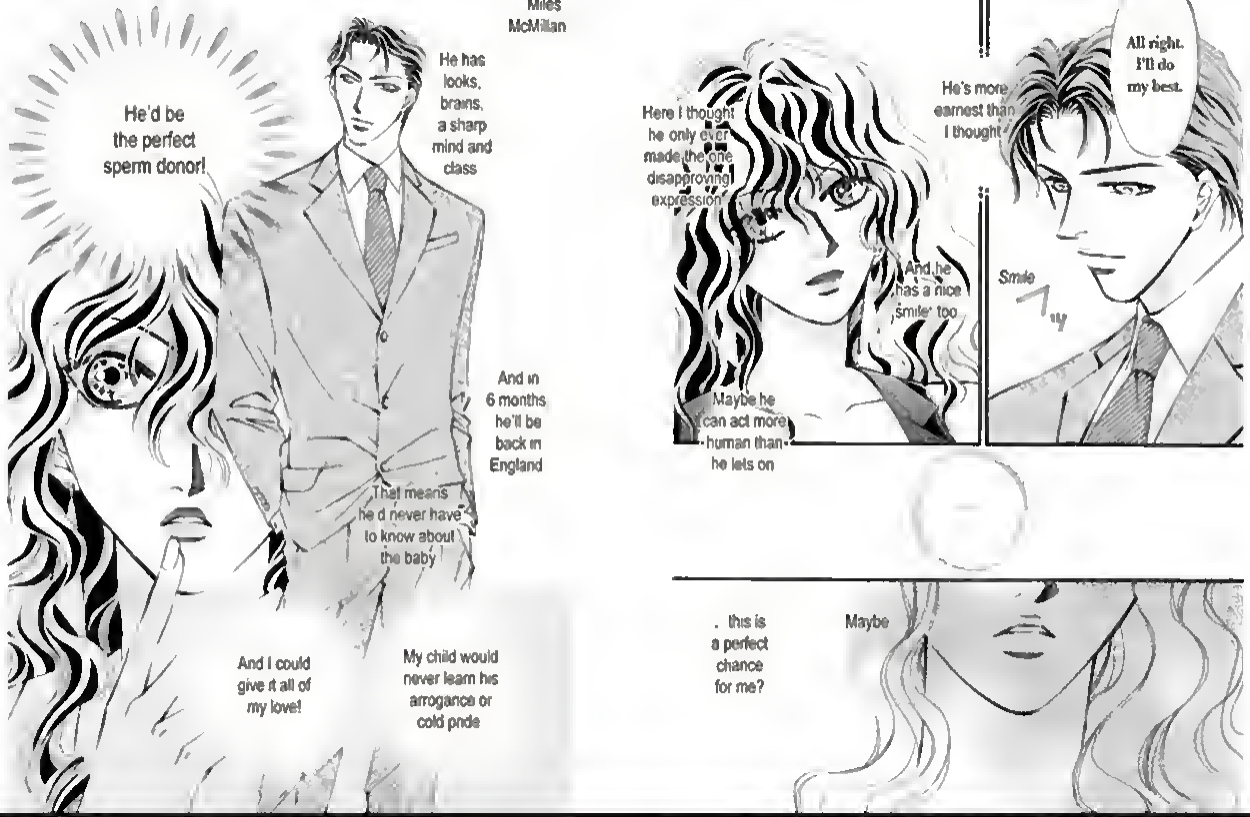
He acted like I was nothing but a nuisance
It honestly hurt my feelings

If Miss Powers doesn't mind interrupting her work to show me around.
I don't want to put you out.
Why don't I show him around Stanwell Park, Vaughn?
That way, you can spend the evening with Caroline and the baby.
Would that be all right, Miles?
Really, Maddie?
I've met plenty of men like him before
Never anyone quite as formal as him, though
It's fine by me.

You're staying for 6 months and need a place to spend the weekends, right?
Vaughn's told me everything.
Her black hair
Her black eyes
Her bright red lips
That's the plan, Miss Powers.
She looks just as attractive as she did a year ago

My brother, Max, is now doing the same thing that our father used to
He made things very difficult for my mother
It was my father who didn't share those morals
The same evil McMillan blood runs through my veins
I suppose coming all the way to Australia to seduce Maddie means I'm doing the same thing as well
Well, cut it out. It doesn't suit you.
That's... a family trait.
Don't look so serious.
You're getting a crease in your forehead.

Don't get the wrong idea. Vaughn and I are just friends.
....
I'll be waiting for you.
He's all yours, Maddie. I'll be by your place at 7 tonight.
I feel the same way.
.....
Really? Good to hear.
He hasn't been eating right since his wife is in the hospital, and I've been cooking for him.
Anyway, I'd never date a married man. I have morals, after all.


Miles McMillan
He has looks, brains, a sharp mind and class
He'd be the perfect sperm donor!
And in 6 months he'll be back in England
That means he'd never have to know about the baby!
And I could give it all of my love!
My child would never learn his arrogance or cold pride
Here I thought he only ever made the one disapproving expression
He's more earnest than I thought
All right. I'll do my best.
And he has a nice smile too
Smile
Maybe he can act more human than he lets on
. this is a perfect chance for me?
Maybe

I haven't seen that furrowed brow all afternoon.
...?
What is it?
Seeing you like this, I'd want you as a model.
As a model?
The ocean is beautiful.
The view, in particular.
Well? Would you be interested?
I'm looking for a model for a piece I'm submitting to a contest.
Oh, right. I also paint.
Do you like it?
Yes.
You look better when you smile...
...Miles.
You're going to be my baby's father, Miles McMillan!

He's interesting
But his personality is keeping him from acting on it
Giggle
He's going to be a lot of fun
Excuse me. I have a dinner appointment
...I'll let you know.
I can't wait to get him on his knees
...begging to sleep with me
Is it a business dinner?
No, but...
Too bad. I have to choose someone soon, or my entry will expire.
I thought you'd be perfect.
Just so you know...
The Whitbred Award is a contest for nude portraits.
I'll have to think about it.
I guess I'll have to find someone else.

She invites me, then pushes me away...
...that she's toying with me?
Could it be...
...then tempts me again
Getting involved with her...
might mean I can't go back to the emotionless lifestyle I'm used to
She has me doing everything she wants
Bewitching doesn't begin to describe her
I'm actually a pretty good cook.
It will also let me try to convince you to model for me.
That way we can talk more about the house.
I was going to ask you out to dinner myself.
Why don't you cancel it?
....
Sounds like an offer I can't refuse.
Together?
Of course!
Great! Then let's go grocery shopping.

and tight, black leather pants
A black leather vest with no bra
You're funny.
You'd probably say my outfit suits me, too.
...Yes, I would.
It looks great on you.

Who? Slater?
Thanks. Most people don't like it.
No, he never says anything. Good or bad.
I meant most of the men I've dated.

Well?
What do you think of my place?
It's a credit to your profession.
.....

Would you like your new place to look like this?
No, but I think it suits you perfectly.
I've never seen a room this colorful before.

Done! The potatoes are peeled.
Nice work.
Well, let me get dinner started.
Can I help?
I've never actually cooked anything before.
It's nice to see the results right away.
More fun than typing numbers into a keyboard, anyway.
It was kind of fun, actually.
What kind of men are those?
Upper-class, rich, arrogant men who won't even be seen with me at social events!
Why should I change who I am for them?
It's silly, really.
If they don't like what I do, they shouldn't get involved with me in the first place.
That's the only type I ever fall for
I must have bad taste.

It doesn't matter
I won't let this opportunity slip by
is obviously trying to seduce me
Does she always lure men here like this
Maddie
I'll finish up. You can wait in the living room.
This is what I came for

Huh...
You're more fun than I thought, Miles.
A guest room?
Is she serious?
I'll spend the night, then.
...Thank you.
....
You don't have to go back to your hotel tonight. You can stay here.
I always keep a guest room ready

Maddie.
Get Slater out of here as fast as possible.
I'll go get my things from the car.
Hi, Vaughn.
Hi. Thanks again for cooking.
Hm?
Miles..
Don't.
My hands are covered in bread crumbs.

You've always been honest and up-front with men, Maddie.
That's right. I'd make a great mother.
Why trick him into fathering your child?
He'll never have to know.
...

You know me too well, Vaughn.

I'm warning you against this, as a friend.
Not that you ever listen.

....
Maddie?
Oh, Miles is using it.
Ssss
?
Why is the shower running?

You could tell he was my type.
Don't give me that look.
He's spending the night. Should be fun.
Caroline says you want a baby.

See you tomorrow.
Good night.
I'll walk you to your car, Vaughn.
Well, I'd better be going.
Rise
Rise

It will take another 3 weeks to finish up, but the interior might take a little more. Right, Maddie?
I'm glad you like the house, Miles.
I'll sign the paperwork tomorrow.
Just make sure I'm not liable for any accidents in the contract.
Right. I need 6 weeks total to order furniture.
She's a real professional
She keeps her work life and private life separate
Of course.

He's not like you.
You're going to be my lover.
Aren't you, Miles?
I told you before, I feel the same way.
What about you?
I told you I'd never date a married man, right?
Just one thing...
Actually, no. The current is too strong, and you can get swept out if you're not careful.
Your backyard leads to the beach.
You can swim whenever you want.
No worries. I'm a good swimmer.
What about .... Vaughn? You've known him longer.
You really are self-centered.
It's attractive, though.
He's my partner and friend, but we've never dated.
Don't be jealous of Vaughn.

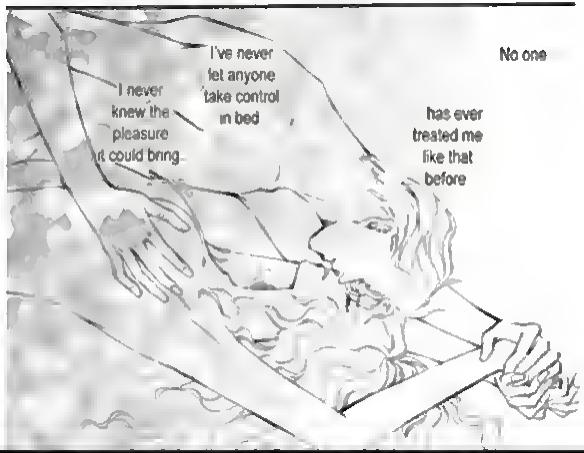
Maddie...!
So this is how she takes control of men
But I won't be her slave
I know how you work, but I'll do what I want.
Maddie, you should know...
And you're going to give me a baby in return
You're a good kisser.
I'm going to make you very happy.
For the next 6 months...
Good. I can trust you, then.

It's not tonight
So many men—
have probably submitted to her
There's a time and place for that.
Oh... Miles.
Miles...!
That was a lie.
No, that was a lie.
Miles...
Don't...

Or maybe just content?

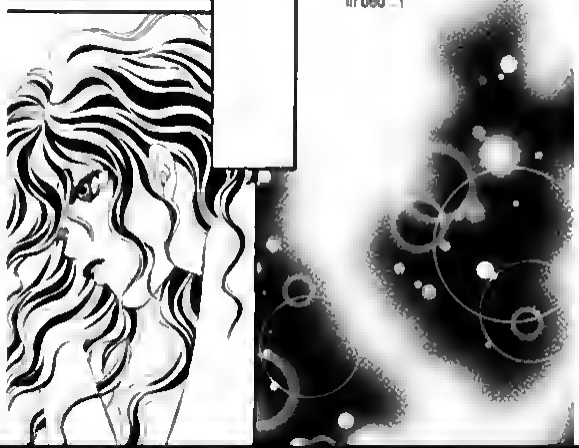
Or be terrified?

Should I laugh?

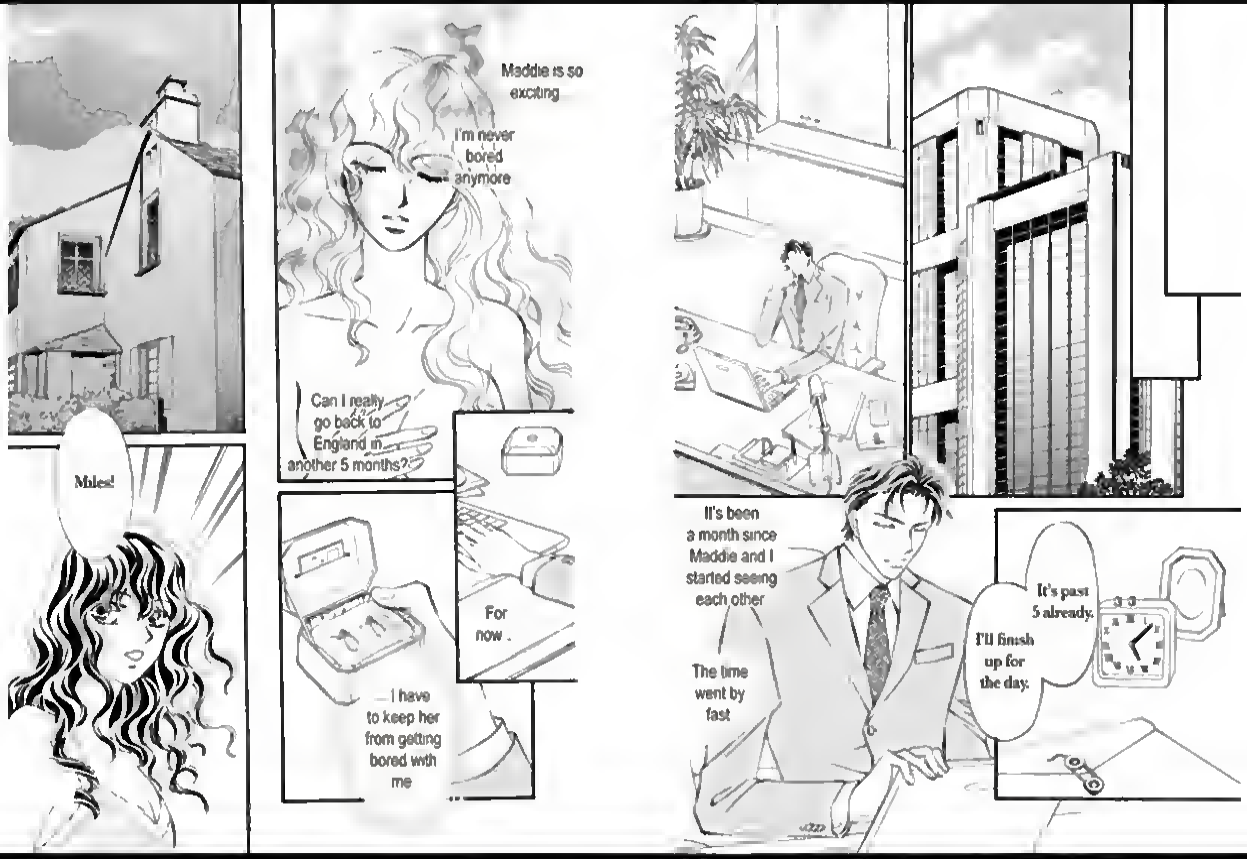

I never knew the pleasure it could bring
I've never let anyone take control in bed
No one has ever treated me like that before

I'll show her who is dominating who...

...tonight, in bed...!



Come here...
...Miles.
That...
...was incredible.
We're going to have *lots* of fun together.
Click
This isn't love
It's just physical
I can't fool myself
But he's shown me
Miles
I can't think of him as anything more
Miles McMillan
He's the perfect sperm donor


Miles!
Maddie is so exciting
I'm never bored anymore
Can I really go back to England in another 5 months?
For now .
— I have to keep her from getting bored wth me
It's been a month since Maddie and I started seeing each other
The time went by fast
It's past 5 already.
I'll finish up for the day.

I'll heat it up.
The dinner I made us has gone cold by now.

The sun here is stronger.
You're so tan now, you look more Australian than British.
I never see that furrowed brow anymore.
You've really changed lately.
Beer goes better with barbecue than wine.
I even saw you chugging a beer!

What?
Maddie.
I have...
I've been waiting.
It can wait
I want Maddie more and more
Never mind.

.....
Everything about her is making me fall for her.

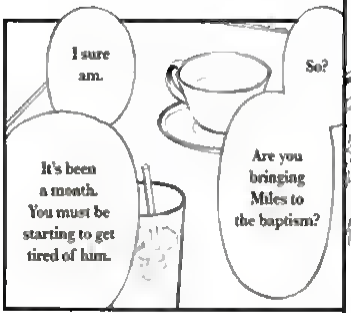
I had fun. I love picking out clothes.
Thanks for going shopping all day with me.

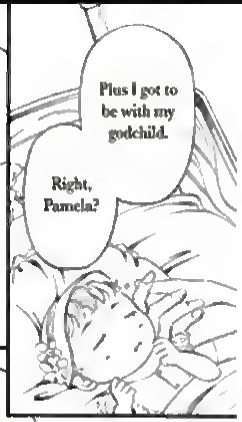
Miles?
I'm thinking of taking the pill.
Hahaha
Giggle
After we both get a checkup, of course.
That way, we can have more fun.
Great!
If that's what you want, it's fine with me.
I'll get a prescription, then.

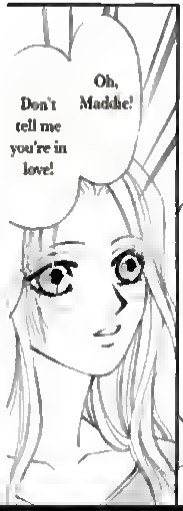
Maddie is so free
So outgoing
So direct

I loved the sense of power that it gave me.

I've always been acting in bed with everyone else







It's strange. He seemed like such a stereotypical British snob, but he's been changing.
He's not quite like all the other men I've dated.

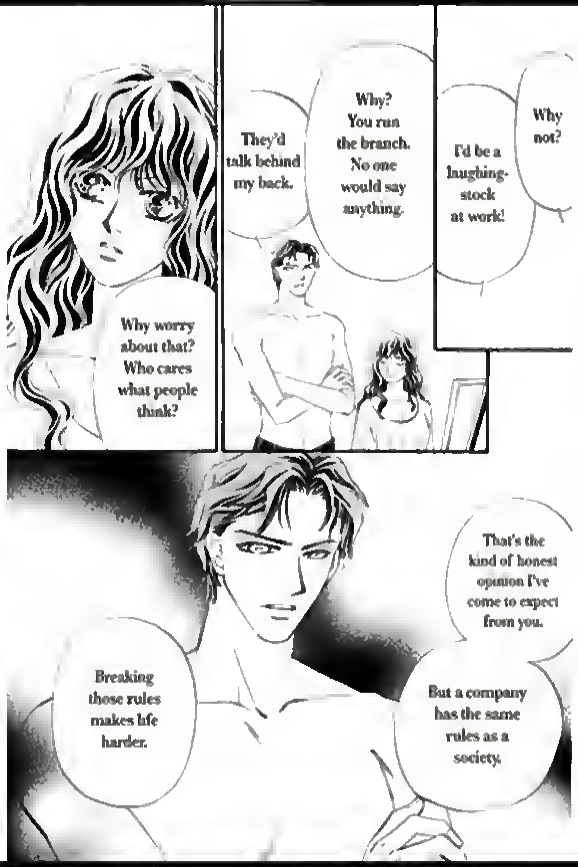
The house will be ready in 2 weeks.
You can come visit when it's ready, Mother.
Yes.
No, I'm fine.
....
Visit Australia...?
Oh, my...! Really?
You might not even recognize me.
I've been to the beach so often, I'm turning brown.
And... There's someone I want you to meet.

I'm taking the pill.
You're not still trying to carry out that crazy plan, are you, Maddie?
But... I *like* him.
I wouldn't care if he was the same stuck-up type I've always dated.
Then I'd get pregnant.
But... After a little while, I was going to stop.
I don't want to trick him into anything.
Now, I'm not so sure what I should do.

A little friendly advice, Miles.
If you're going to date Maddie while you're here...
...there's one thing you can never do.
Don't let yourself get serious about her. Don't tell her you love her or propose
Caroline says that Maddie is pathologically cruel to men.
I've seen her dump a lot of men just as they got serious.

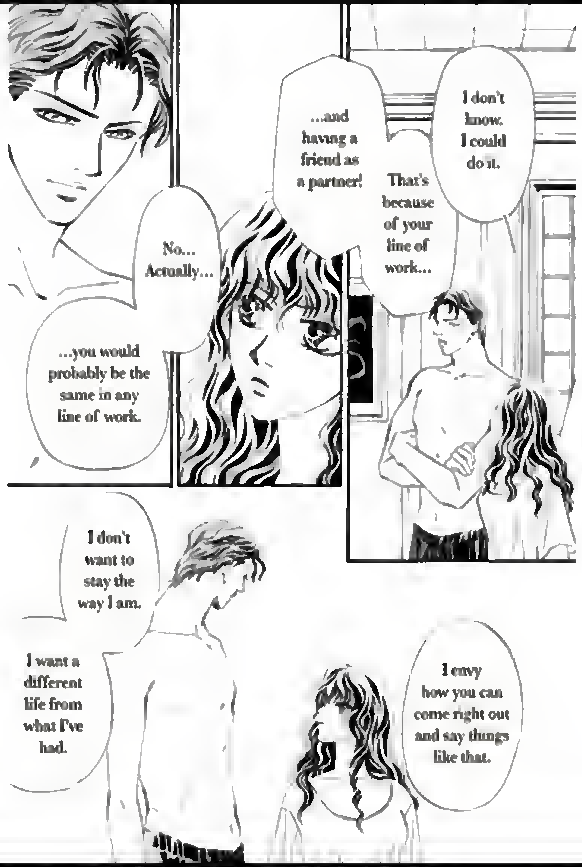
...I don't know.
We haven't talked about it.
Will you marry her?
Yes.
You met a girl, Miles?
Click
I'll call again soon.
I think so, too.
I'm just glad you're doing well.
Australia must really suit you.

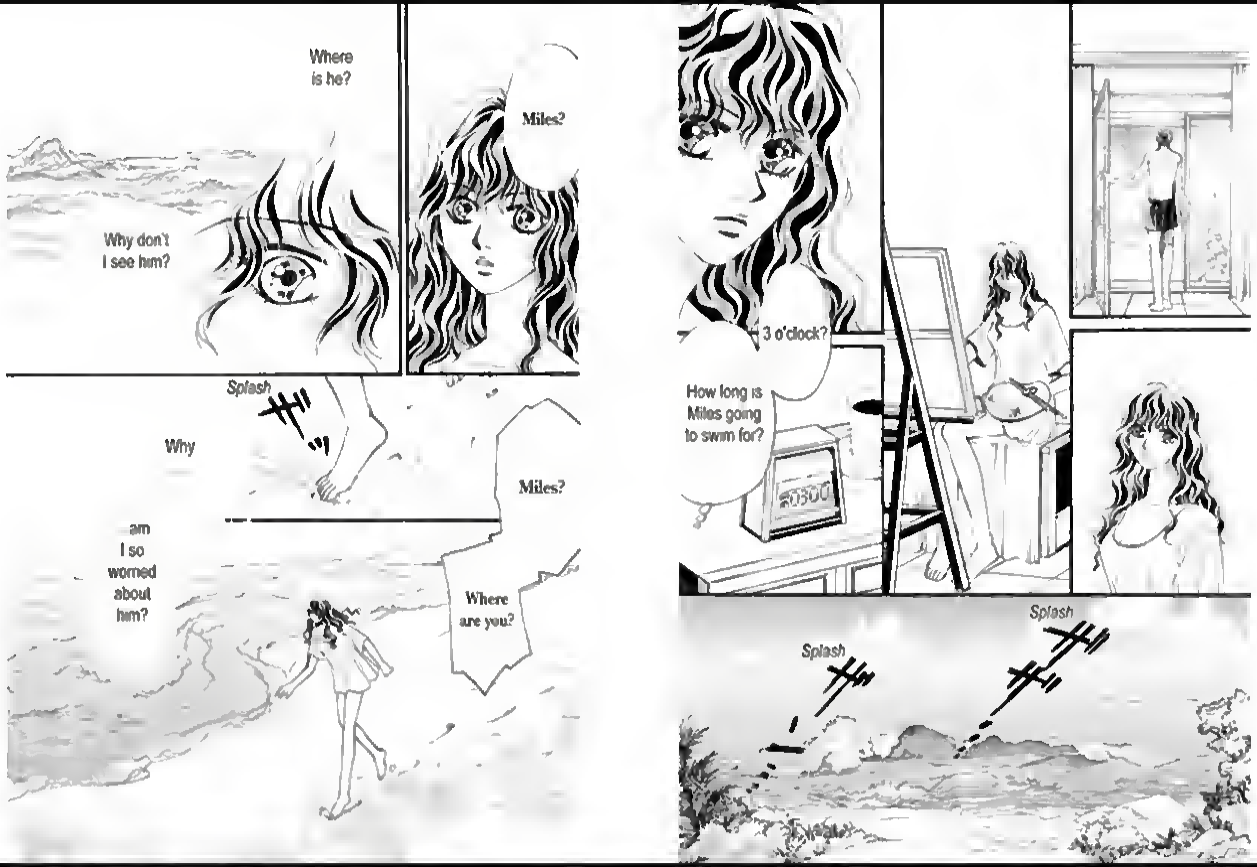
Just be a good boy and sit still.
Maddie.
Can you imagine what it's like posing like this every weekend for 4 weeks?
Miles ...
How can it take so long to paint a picture?
If you want the prize money, I'll double it.
I'm sick of being a model.
If you don't, I'll paint in the eyes and everyone will recognize you.
'Pathologically cruel to men'
It must have something to do with Maddie's past.
But she never says a word about any of it.
Maybe I can ask Vaughn
What should a man do ...
knowing that about her...
and still falling in love?
I'll remember that.


Why worry about that? Who cares what people think?
They'd talk behind my back.
Why? You run the branch. No one would say anything.
I'd be a laughing-stock at work!
Why not?
Breaking those rules makes life harder.
But a company has the same rules as a society.
That's the kind of honest opinion I've come to expect from you.

This is how you look to me.
That isn't me!
What's this?
You'd look good if you grew it out this long.
I can't grow my hair out!
I'm not this tan, or even this muscular.
And what about this hair? It's someone else entirely.

Be my nude model a little longer. It's good training to reinvent yourself
...In that case ...
I just don't know how to change.
Maddie.
The waves are strong today.
All right. Fine.
Are you sure?
Let me rest for a little while first. I'm going for a swim.


...and having a friend as a partner!
I don't know. I could do it.
That's because of your line of work...
No... Actually...
...you would probably be the same in any line of work.
I don't want to stay the way I am.
I want a different life from what I've had.
I envy how you can come right out and say things like that.


Where is he?
Miles?
Why don't I see him?
Splash
Why
Miles?
am I so worried about him?
Where are you?
3 o'clock?
How long is Miles going to swim for?
Splash
Splash

Maddie?
What's the matter?
You came to the beach dressed like that?
Miles ...!
Where have you been? You didn't think I'd worry if you weren't back in half an hour?

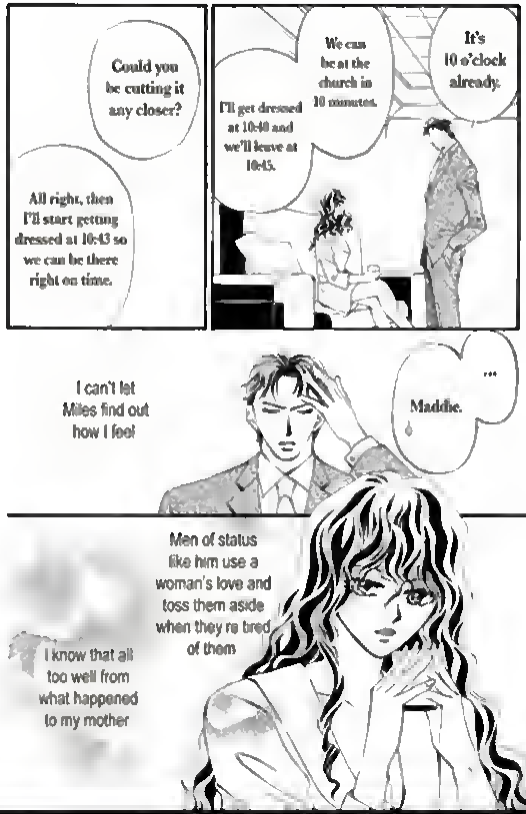
He couldn't have drowned, or...
I'm panicking just because I can't see him?
He's supposed to be a good swimmer!
Can you hear me?
What's wrong with me?
Oh, no...
Miles!

I'll run you a cold shower when we get home.
It must have been the hot sand. Are you okay?
Your feet are bright red, Maddie.
Oh...
You don't even like being out in the sun.
Invest-ment?
What-ever! Just don't scare me like that! I was worried about my investment.
Right. For the Whitbred Award.
I can't find another model at this stage.
I was jogging to dry off because I forgot a towel.
I stopped swimming because of the waves.
You forgot a towel...?
Let's go home!

But what am I supposed to do, now that I know this?

He's going back to England in a few more months

Now it's 10.15.
I discovered that gave me the power to control men
That's how I learned to dump them before they dump me
Even if it's someone I love, I never want to be controlled
Even if it's Miles
That's why I keep pretending
Yes. You have to be dressed appropriately.
Does it matter?
By the way, what are you going to wear?
I have to stay a woman that only wants a lover for his body


Could you be cutting it any closer?
All right, then I'll start getting dressed at 10:43 so we can be there right on time.
I'll get dressed at 10:40 and we'll leave at 10:45.
We can be at the church in 10 minutes.
It's 10 o'clock already.
I can't let Miles find out how I feel
...
Maddie.
Men of status like him use a woman's love and toss them aside when they're tired of them
I know that all too well from what happened to my mother

You look great in black, Maddie, but even better in white.
I forgot. I had a present for you. A pair of earrings.
No thanks. I don't accept expensive gifts.
I can't have my clients expect me to go the extra mile for them.
Click
Not to worry. Just a moment.
I don't want him to think I'm cheap
Still, I *want* Miles to be proud of me
You're her godmother, aren't you?
I want to be proud of you today, in front of everyone.
Well?
You've gotten better at getting your way with me.
I'll go get dressed.

What are you up to, Miles?
Nothing. I've just had an idea.
True, but it's not just your body, either.
What about you, Maddie? Is there anything else about me that you like?
Once my house is finished...
...why don't we live there together?

Maybe they all tricked me?
I thought that men who wear expensive suits only shop at high-priced jewelry stores.
They're cubic zirconium, so not really.
They're beautiful. You mean they weren't expensive?
I love them. I'll wear them tonight.
You like them?
Anyway, thanks. They're nice.
I'm sure that's not *all* you love about me.
That's what I love about you.
It's the way the simplest things make you happy.

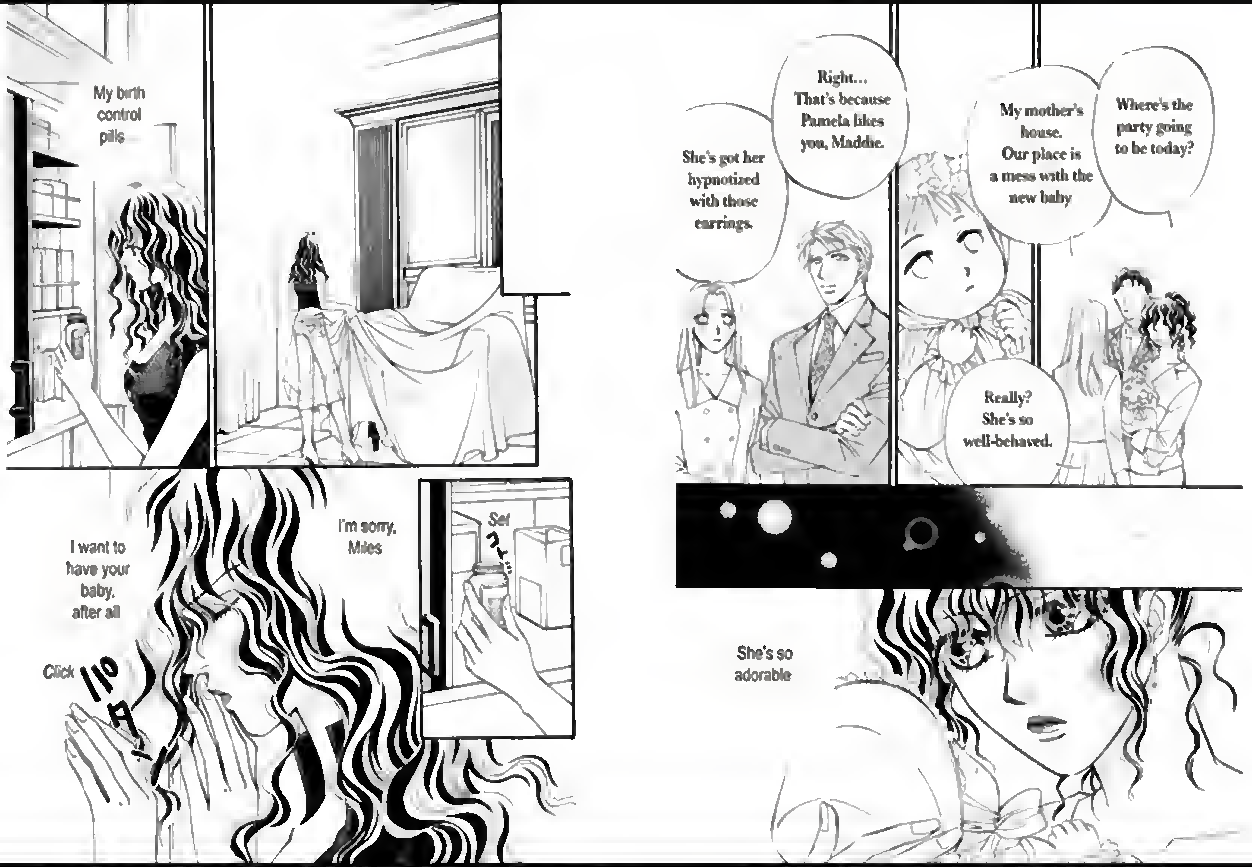
You won't be made a servant.
I just want you to stop treating me like other men.
You really don't expect me to do any chores?
Vaughn told me a little about you.
...
What does *that* mean?
That it's because my mother got pregnant by a married politician...
...who denied everything?
About what?
The way I think about men?

I... I don't move in with men.
I've been working hard for years.
I want to spend that time off with you.
When I move in, I'm going to take a 5 month sabbatical.
I thought it would make it easier for us to be together.
Our homes are so far apart, it will make seeing each other on the weekends more difficult.
I don't expect you to be my maid.

...I've enjoyed it, too.
A lot.
Sigh
....
I've enjoyed spending our weekends together this past month.
All I wanted was for us to continue on for the next 5 months.
How about this?
If you come live with me, I'll learn to cook.
Really?
That's all?

Vaughn doesn't even know the whole story.
Like the fact my mother only dated married men!
She was a kind, caring person who only wanted to be loved...
...and those men used her, saying it was love.
I'll never believe it!
Whenever men talk about love, it's all a lie!
Every single one got bored with her body and cast her aside.

Church
Mwah!
You're such a good girl, Pamela!
If that's what lets her have peace of mind
it will have to do, for now
We won't be able to have as much fun.
I don't want you to get hurt.
I'll be careful.
That's even more dangerous than surfing.
I also want to try hang gliding.
All right... I'll buy a surfboard, too.
I'll take lessons.
But still Maddie doesn't believe in love
and only wants a physical relationship
because of her experiences with other men
It's not fair that I can't have Maddie.


My birth control pills
I want to have your baby, after all
Click
I'm sorry, Miles
Ser
She's got her hypnotized with those earrings.
Right... That's because Pamela likes you, Maddie.
My mother's house. Our place is a mess with the new baby
Where's the party going to be today?
Really? She's so well-behaved.
She's so adorable

Right. I never told you. My brother.
Who's Max?
It's from Max.

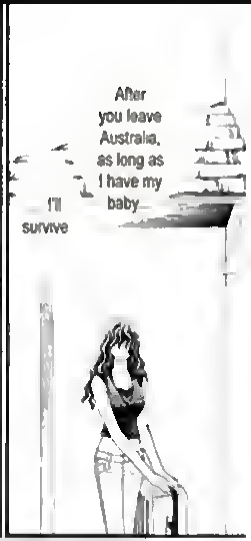
Me, too.
I can't wait to start living here.

Anyway, I'm glad you came.

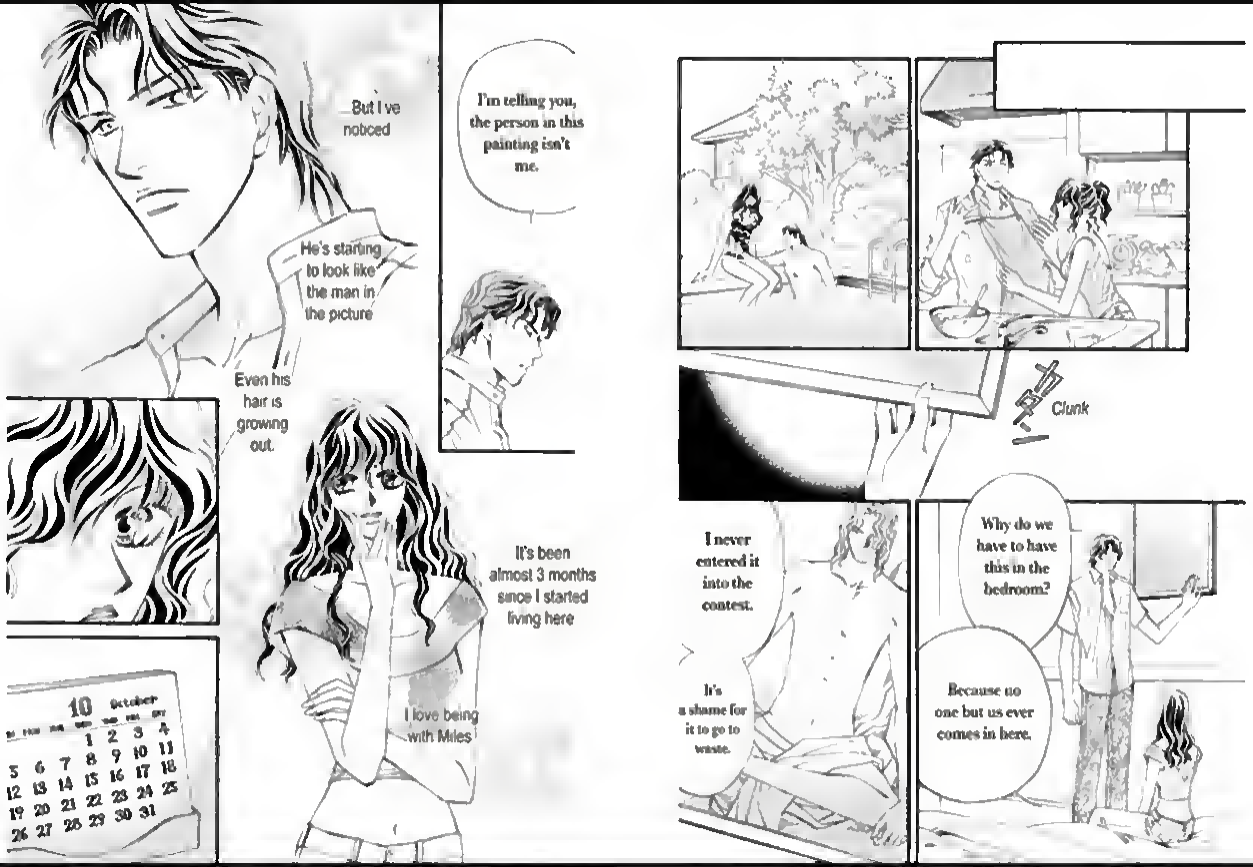
I don't have to know everything about you.
Don't apologize. I'm not your wife.
. .Right ...

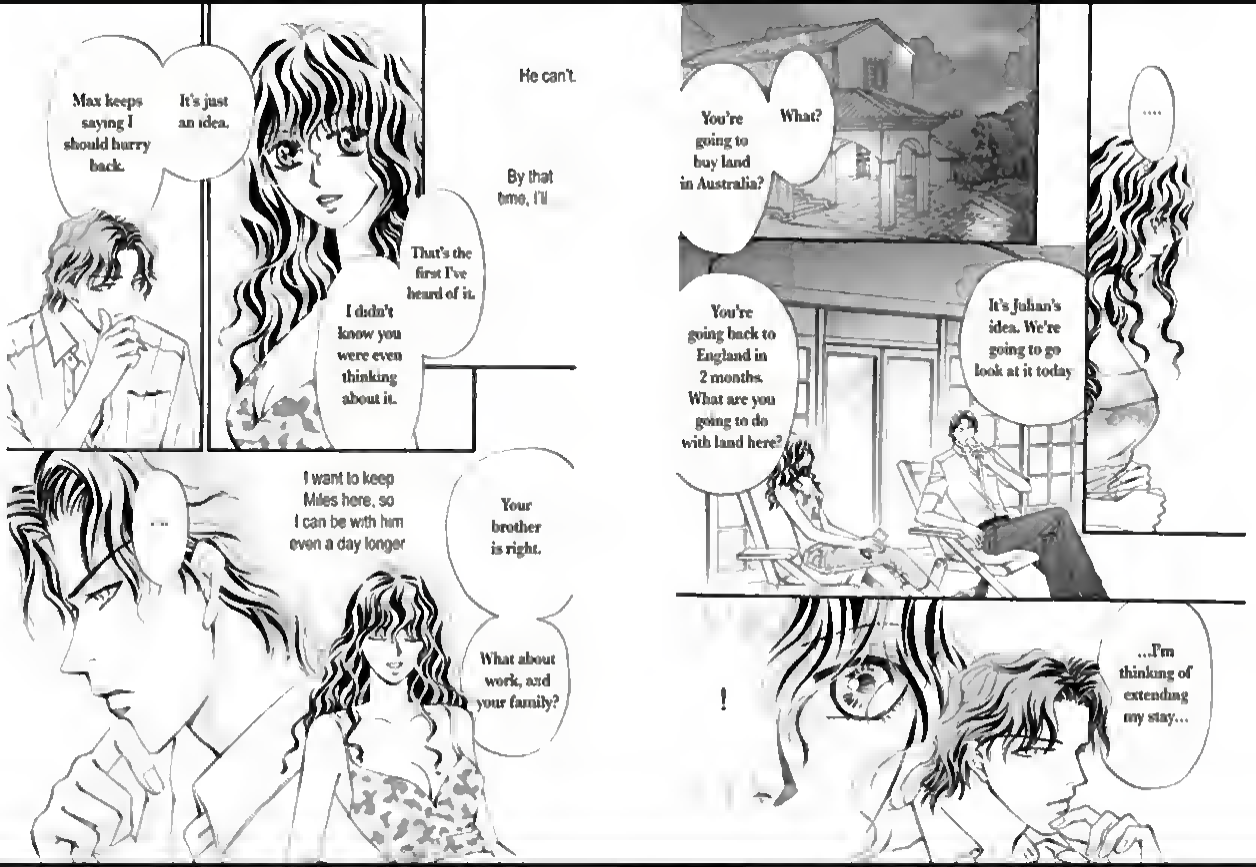
To keep with me forever
Is this all?
Uh-huh

That's why I want a part of you


After you leave Australia, as long as I have my baby...
I'll survive

Miles.
There's a letter for you.


But I've noticed
He's starting to look like the man in the picture
Even his hair is growing out.
I'm telling you, the person in this painting isn't me.
10 October
It's been almost 3 months since I started living here
I love being with Miles
Clunk
I never entered it into the contest.
It's a shame for it to go to waste.
Why do we have to have this in the bedroom?
Because no one but us ever comes in here.


Max keeps saying I should hurry back.
It's just an idea.
He can't.
By that time, I'll
That's the first I've heard of it.
I didn't know you were even thinking about it.
...
I want to keep Miles here, so I can be with him even a day longer
Your brother is right.
What about work, and your family?
You're going to buy land in Australia?
What?
You're going back to England in 2 months. What are you going to do with land here?
It's Julian's idea. We're going to go look at it today
....
!
...I'm thinking of extending my stay...

Miles is so kind...

he might be different from the others

I wish I could believe that.

But I can't

A man of status like him

...would never marry a cheap girl like me

I want to tell him...

...that I want his heart.

That I want him to stay with me forever

I don't want him to find out...

...how I'm betraying his trust.

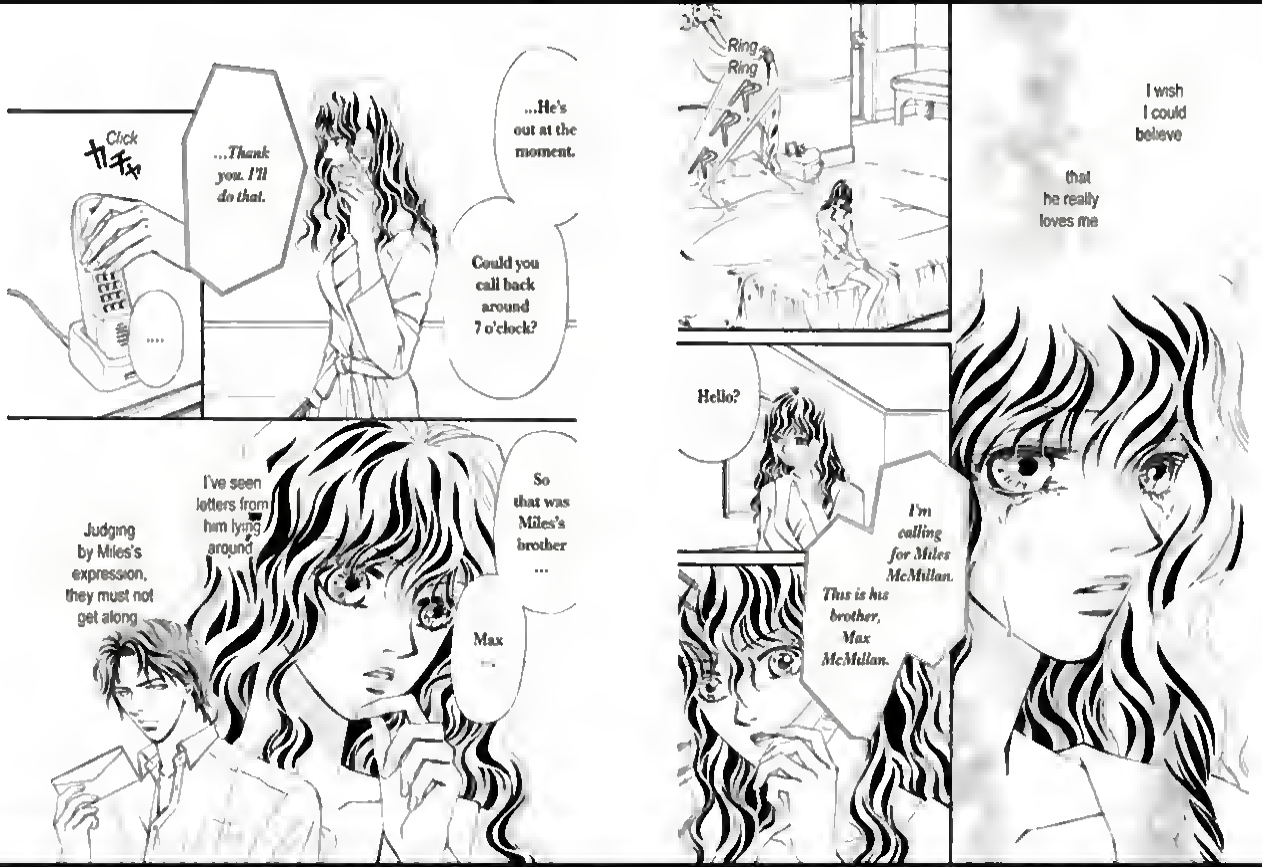
I think

I'm already pregnant.

But I can't.

Oh

I wish I could tell him the truth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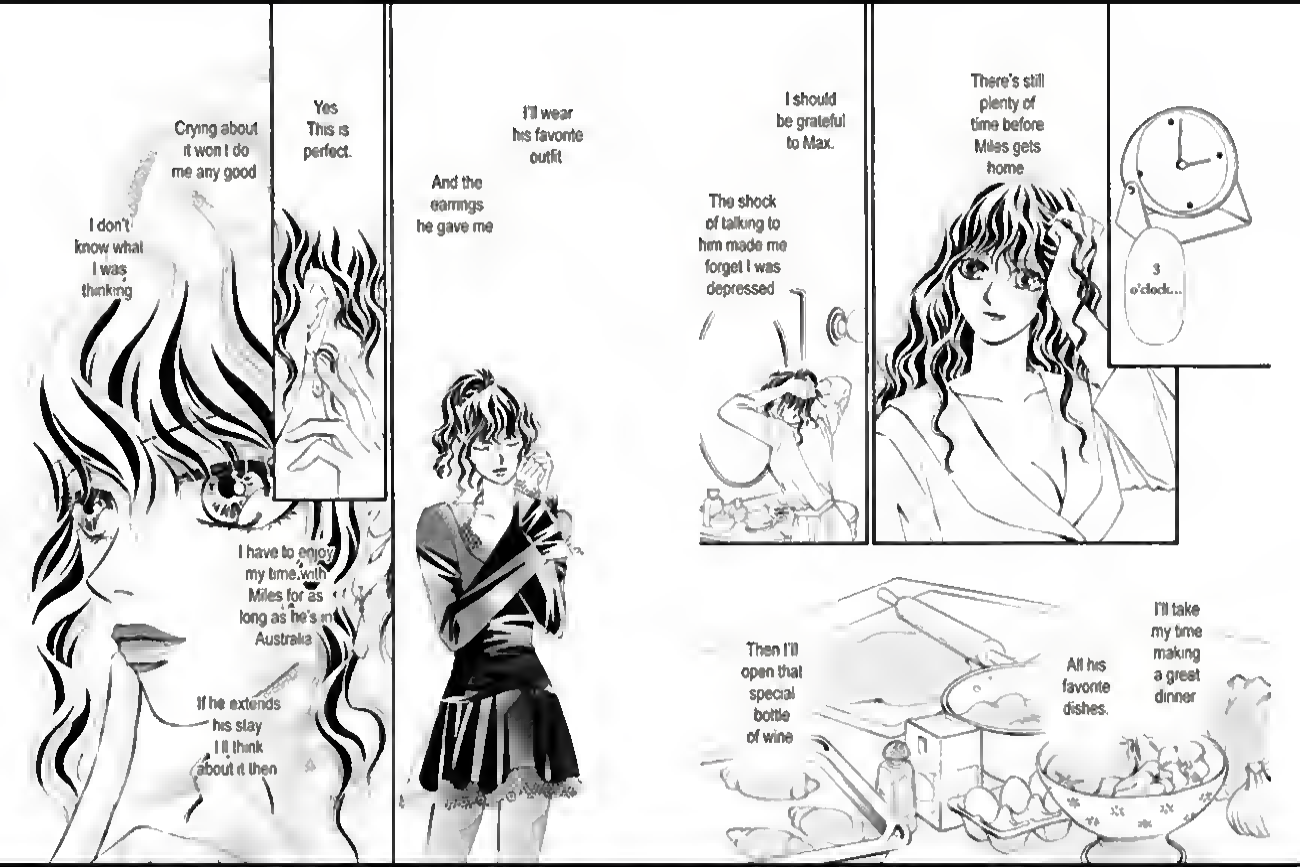
...Thank you. I'll do that.
...He's out at the moment.
Could you call back around 7 o'clock?
Judging by Miles's expression, they must not get along
I've seen letters from him lying around
So that was Miles's brother ...
Max ...
Ring Ring
RRR
Hello?
I'm calling for Miles McMillan. This is his brother, Max McMillan.
I wish I could believe
that he really loves me


Crying about it won't do me any good
Yes This is perfect.
I don't know what I was thinking
I have to enjoy my time with Miles for as long as he's in Australia
If he extends his stay I'll think about it then
I'll wear his favorite outfit
And the earrings he gave me
I should be grateful to Max.
The shock of talking to him made me forget I was depressed
There's still plenty of time before Miles gets home
3 o'clock...
Then I'll open that special bottle of wine
All his favorite dishes.
I'll take my time making a great dinner

It's a beautiful house.
He wasn't calling from England last time?
Click
You're quite beautiful, too.
So? Who are you, and what are you doing in my brother's house?
I'm Madeline Powers. The interior decorator.
I'm a friend of Miles, and his girlfriend, while he's here.
Are you the maid? The cook?
Or his mistress?

I've always tried to live positively
It won't do any good to worry about it now
And that's what I'll keep doing!
It's Max McMillen. Is Miles home yet?
Of course not. He has a key, and it's not even 7 o'clock.
Ding Dong
Yes? Who is it?
Miles?

Nice diamonds. He has good taste.
You must not be interested in marriage, which means it's his money.
You're pretty calm about this.
I see he's already given you jewelry.
Did you say that to Miles at first, too?
How many diamonds would I have to give you first?
Don't touch me!

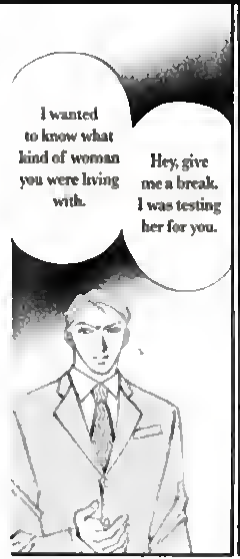
He was right to get engaged to her.
A classy woman like Annabelle is better for Miles.
Fiancée Miles?
Not that his fiancée needs to dress quite that sexy.
I can see how having a girlfriend like you might make Annabelle pale in comparison.
...it shouldn't matter to you what I think
Whatever your younger brother does in his spare time...
...
What are you telling me all this for?

These earrings too
He told me they were cubic zirconium
because otherwise I wouldn't be comfortable accepting them
That's right. That's the Miles I know
He's no one he would be seeing me if he had a fiancee
He couldn't have one
When he saw how happy that made me
he told me that's what he loved about me
I'll set you up in an expensive, furnished flat in Mayfair and pay your expenses.
I'll even buy you a closet full of clothes.
Can I make a suggestion?
Fly with me, first class to London.
In exchange, let me enjoy that sexy body of yours.
Oh, right. I forgot about Miles.
I don't want to keep you for myself, but don't tell him yet.
For some reason, he's a stickler for honor
...You must be crazy.

I wouldn't let you touch me if you were the last man on Earth!
...!
That's right. Women have standards, you know.
What are you doing here, Max?
Miles...!
How can he be Miles's brother? He's nothing like him!
....
That's enough!
I've met some horrible men in my time...
But this man is the worst of them!
He's always treated me with respect
Never like a cheap harlot, like his brother

Long hair, dirty jeans! Act your age!
You feel sorry for me? Look at you!
It's because you're with this cheap tramp!
How long are you going to keep Annabelle waiting?
You're just like our father. I feel sorry for you.

I don't ever want to see you again, Max.
Annabelle and I have formally broken off our engagement.
Now, get out. I'm not going back to England, or the company.

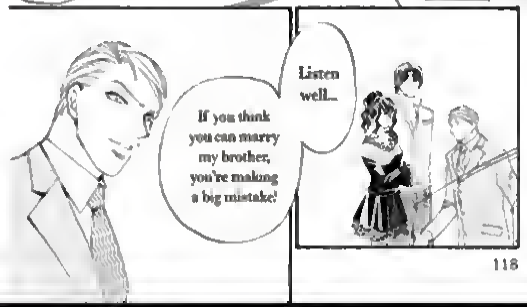

I wanted to know what kind of woman you were living with.
Hey, give me a break. I was testing her for you.

Then he told me he'd buy me lots of things if I went to London with him.
He showed up suddenly, telling me about your fiancée.
Is that true?

That's because I can.
You think you can buy any woman with money.
You haven't changed at all, Max.

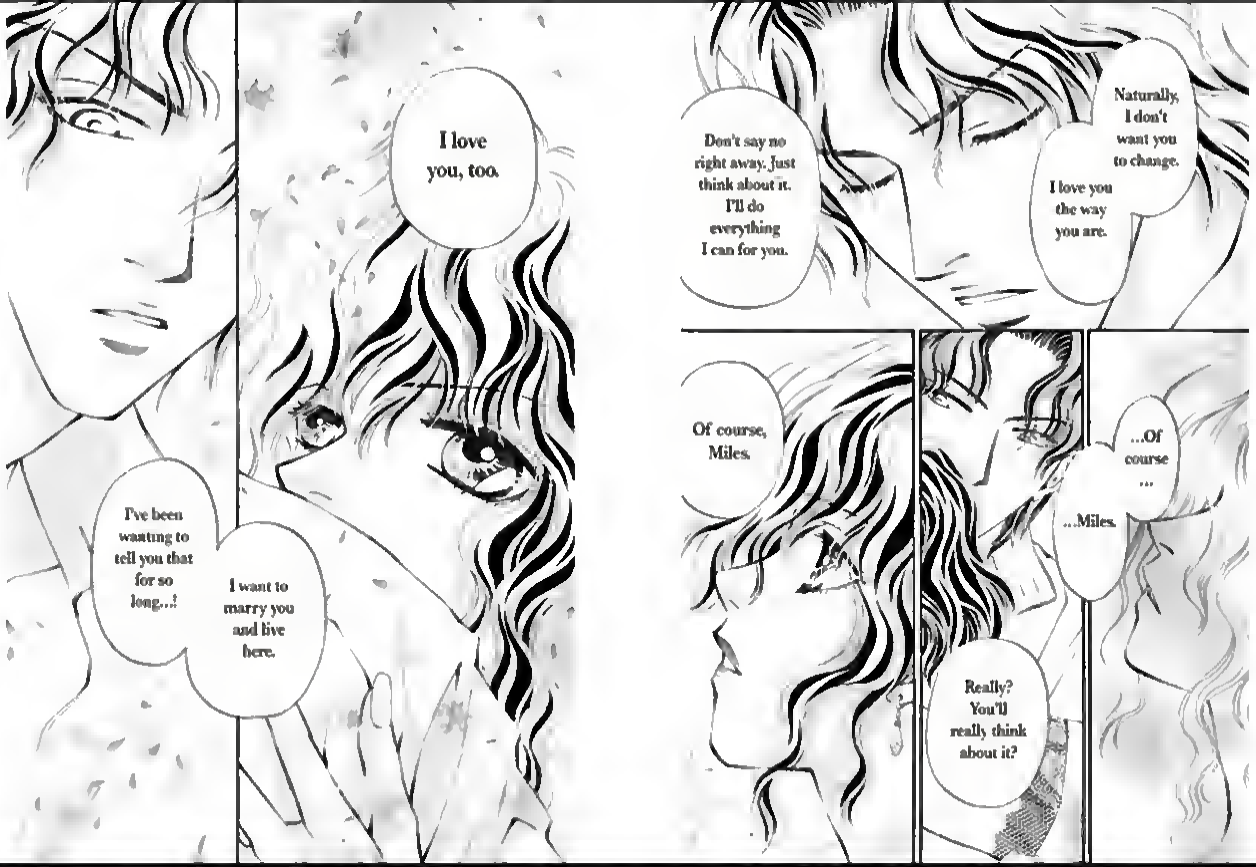
...!
No McMillan man...
...would ever marry gutter trash like you!
Max!
Don't, Miles!
He's not worth it!

For funding, right?
Sorry. You'll have to manage on your own.
But... I *need* your help in London!
Mother already knows.
Are you serious, Miles...?
...or your brother, to bail you out anymore.
You don't have Father to make excuses for you...


If you think you can marry my brother, you're making a big mistake!
Listen well...

You'll get used to them, Maddie.
I can't wear something that expensive!
3,500 Australian dollars.
Listen to me.
I'm going to stay in Australia indefinitely.
I won't be going back to England.
What I said earlier is the truth.
I'm sorry, Maddie. I knew Max was snooping around our lives.
I never thought he'd actually show his face here.
Slam
Is that true? How much were they?
He said these earrings were real diamonds.
Did he say anything else to you?
Maddie...

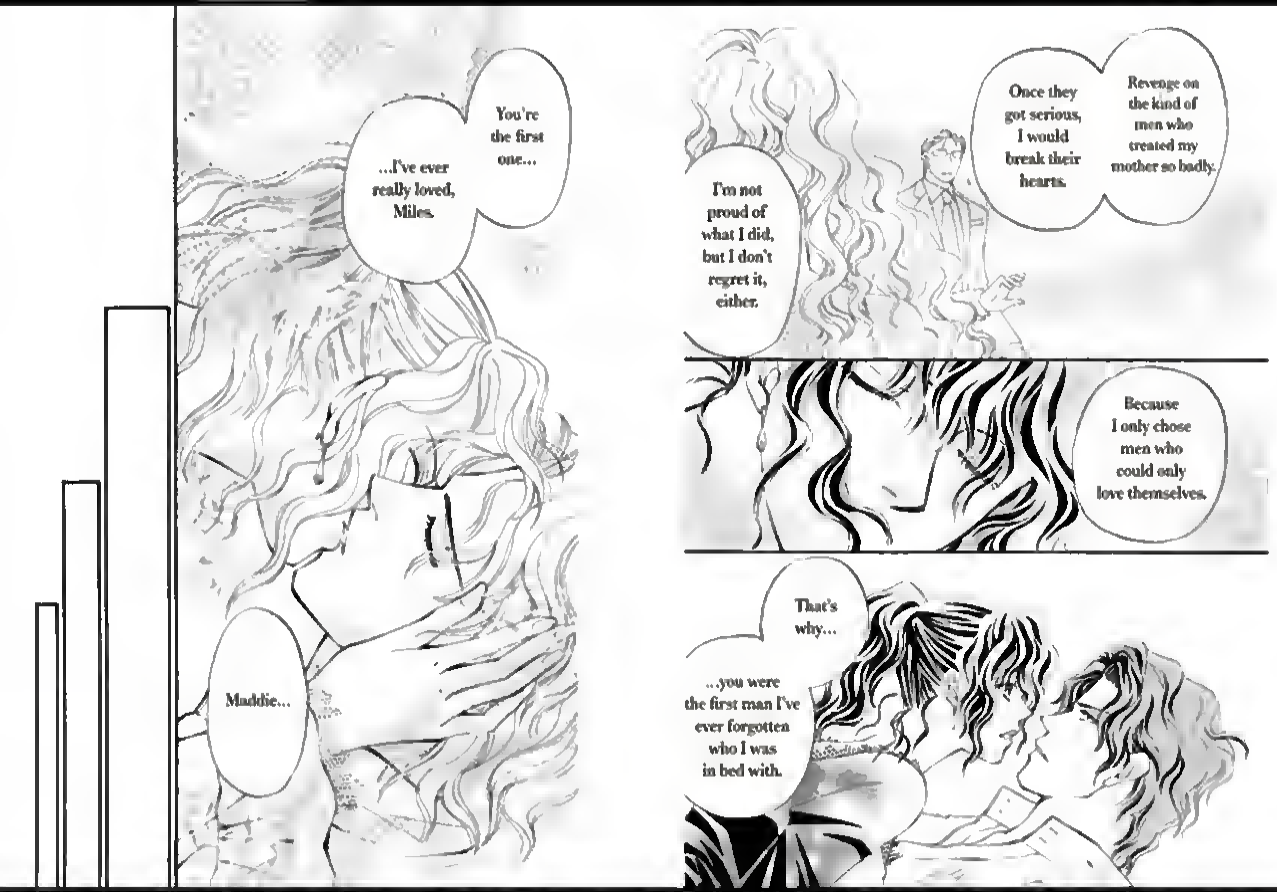
What about you?
Don't you want to keep living here in this house?
I want us to get married and live here, together.
I love you, Maddie.
That's why I've decided to stay.
. . .but I can't stay quiet any longer.
Vaughn may have warned me...
Really?
Miles...


I love you, too.
I've been wanting to tell you that for so long...!
I want to marry you and live here.
Don't say no right away. Just think about it. I'll do everything I can for you.
Naturally, I don't want you to change.
I love you the way you are.
Of course, Miles.
Really? You'll really think about it?
...Of course ...
...Miles.

You said you were going back to England in 6 months!
I thought I could have it without you knowing.
I... I wanted a baby!
I *needed* to have your child.
Maddie ...
But... I think I'm pregnant.
Please don't be angry.
....
You aren't angry?
It's great news!
I wasn't expecting that!

Maddie ...
I'm so happy to hear that!
I... I stopped taking the pill 2 months ago.
Why...?
But... Um...
There's something I have to tell you.

I think...
...I've never been serious with anyone in bed before.
This baby will be happy. It's the product of our true love.
I only ever used it to control men.
Men were just trophies for my revenge.
Trophies for your revenge?
How far along are you?
I haven't been to the doctor, so I'm not sure.
Our child... I can't wait.
Let me rephrase.
I want us to get married, and live here, the 3 of us.


You're the first one...
...I've ever really loved, Miles.
Maddie...
Revenge on the kind of men who created my mother so badly.
Once they got serious, I would break their hearts.
I'm not proud of what I did, but I don't regret it, either.
Because I only chose men who could only love themselves.
That's why...
...you were the first man I've ever forgotten who I was in bed with.

...
It must be from your side of the family, Mother
Yes. He takes after me with his wavy dark brown hair.
He's a beautiful baby.
You must be so happy, Miles.
Now that the show's over, I'm going back to the room.
The nurses here are really strict.
Hahaha
I'll come with you, Miles.
9 months later
Hospital
The wait is over, everyone!
Congratulations.
Congratulations, Miles.
It's a boy.
We're naming him Scott.

He came from Australia to play tennis, and I met him at a party.
I was so surprised how much this country has changed you.
My husband was out with a young mistress, so I was there on my own.
It was a mistake that only lasted one night.
Since we were both alone, we got to talking.
She was actually *happy* that a child without the McMillans' cold blood was born into the family.
Your grandmother noticed immediately.

I've suspected for some time.
You don't have to say it, Mother.
Miles...?
Your father...
...was an Australian.
I don't take after anyone in the McMillan family.
I don't even look much like you, Mother.
He was tall, with wavy, dark brown hair.
You look a lot like him.

I'm so happy I had you.
Now, with Maddie and Scott. .
I haven't felt this happy in a long time.
Now that I've married Maddie and have Scott...
...nothing else matters.
...Is that right?
Max and Annabelle are engaged now.
Oh, I forgot.
What happened to him? Was he a famous tennis player?
That's why she left her entire fortune to you.
It must have been him that led me to Australia.
There's nothing to apologize for.
I read that he died in a motorcycle crash over 30 years ago.
I don't know. It was a long time ago, but his name was Jason Phillip.
I'm sorry, Miles.

You need to enjoy life more!
Hey, I can't call such a young, beautiful woman "Grandma."
Why don't I find you a romantic man of your own while you're in Australia?
Nana?
Maddie!
....
Right, Miles?
Everyone was head over heels for Scott.

Click
Welcome back!
I missed you, Scott!
And I'm going to have help for a while. Right, Nana?
Of course! I'm going home tomorrow.
You have so much energy, it's hard to believe you just gave birth today.
I feel fine.
It's too soon.

Now I'm hers until death do us part.
I couldn't ask for any greater life...!
Maddie's Love-Child The End

Glance
...That's nice of you to say.
He really does take after his father.
It's not just the hair, then.
I was never a match for her.
She has me, heart and soul.
I love you, Miles...

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